(a) whether it is a fact that the new water policy gives proprietary rights over natural resources of water of private companies or multinational companies; and

(b) if so, the reasons for deviating from the policy of management of water resources by Village Panchayats and Urban Municipalities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) No, Sir. The National Water Policy, 2002 does not provide for privatization of water as a resource. It envisages private sector participation for providing facilities in water resources sector.

(b) Does not arise.

Toxic pesticides in water in A.P.

1794. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES to pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Scientists of the Central Ground Water Board have found alarming levels of highly toxic pesticides in agricultural wells in some villages of Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether the Board has conducted similar surveys in other Districts of Andhra Pradesh;

(c) if so, what are its findings; and

(d) the precautionary measures suggested to protect the health of the people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (c) The Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) undertook agricultural pollution studies in parts of Guntur district of Andhra Pradesh. The ground water samples of shallow dug wells were collected from five villages namely, Balusupadu, Kambhampadu, Lingamguntla (Pedakurapadu Mandal). Yalvarthipadu (Medikonduru Mandal) and Kommerapadu (Sattenapally Mandal) during October-November, 2002. The chemical analysis of the samples revealed presence of Pesticide Multi Residue (PMR) ranging from 0.515 to 3.339 mg/l against the permissible limit of 0.001 mg/l. The CGWB has not conducted similar studies in other districts of Andhra Pradesh.

(d) The study recommended that the pesticide infested ground water should not be used for drinking.

Pending River Water Projects of M.P. and Chhattisgarh

†1795. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of River Water Projects of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh which are pending;

(b) the details of cost overrun as a result of delay in completion of these projects; and

(c) by when these projects are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (c) The details of irrigation projects of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh alongwith cost overrun and likely year of completion which are pending for implementation during Tenth Five Year Plan are given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

Irrigation Projects of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh Details of Ongoing Irrigation Projects of Madhya Pradesh during Tenth plan.

Major Projects (Rs. Crore/Th.ha.)

Sl. No.	Projects Name	Started in Plan	Estd. Cost	Exp. upto-end of IX Plan	Spillover Achiev. Cost Pjt. Upto end of IX Plan	Likely of	XPlan	Likely year of outlay Completion
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Bansagar (IS) Unit-I	V	1151.41	481.22	670.19	0		388.89 2006
	Bansagar (IS) Unit-ll	V	1245	186.63	1058.4	5		1367.52 XI
2.	Bargi Div.	VIII	1709.9	24.88	1685.1	0.67		857.29
3	Bariarpur	V	231.65	71.29	160.36			91.58
4	Mahan	VI	155.1	51.83	103.27	0		126.09 2007

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